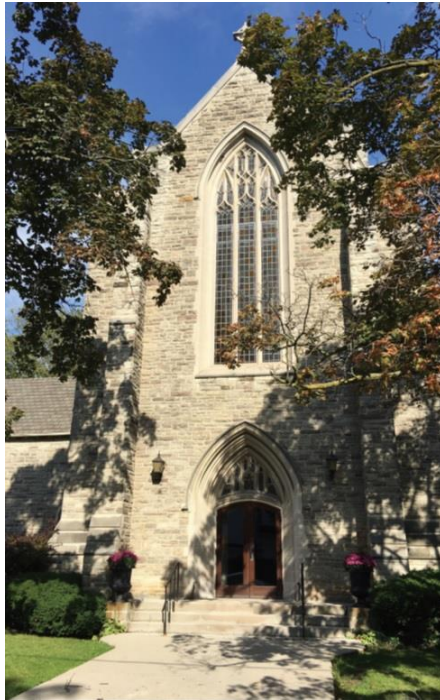


Welcome to St Timothy's

Living our faith in Jesus Christ
with Open Arms, Open Hearts, Open Minds

Morning Prayer

November 18th, 2024 at 9:30am



Welcome to St. Timothy's! We are an Anglican church with a deep commitment to community. We seek to live our faith in a spirit of welcome for all, compassion for those in need, and a willingness to approach our faith and our culture with inquiring minds.

We are people who, together, long to welcome, serve, and understand. We hope that you will experience that welcome and, if you are a visitor, consider making us your church home.

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Welcome

Opening Sentences

Leader: O Lord, open our lips,

All: and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Leader: Your faithful servants bless you.

All: They make known the glory of your kingdom.

Leader: Blessed are you, Sovereign God,

ruler and judge of all,

to you be praise and glory for ever.

In the darkness of this age that is passing away

may the light of your presence which the saints

enjoy

surround our steps as we journey on.

May we reflect your glory this day

and so be made ready to see your face

in the heavenly city where night shall be no more.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

Leader: The night has passed, and the day lies open
before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

Leader: As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may
the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts
on fire with love for you; now and for ever.

All: Amen.

Psalm 89: 5 – 15

Let the heavens praise your wonders, O Lord,
your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones.

For who in the skies can be compared to the Lord?

Who among the heavenly beings is like the Lord,

a God feared in the council of the holy ones,
great and awesome above all that are around him?

O Lord God of hosts,

who is as mighty as you, O Lord?

Your faithfulness surrounds you.

You rule the raging of the sea;
when its waves rise, you still them.

You crushed Rahab like a carcass;

you scattered your enemies with your mighty arm.

The heavens are yours, the earth also is yours;
the world and all that is in it—you have founded them.

The north and the south—you created them;

Tabor and Hermon joyously praise your name.

You have a mighty arm;
strong is your hand, high your right hand.

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne;

steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.

Happy are the people who know the festal shout,
who walk, O Lord, in the light of your countenance.

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;

**as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Reading

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill', and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

But someone will say, 'You have faith and I have works.' Show me your faith without works, and I by my works will show you my faith. You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe—and shudder. Do you want to be shown, you senseless person, that faith without works is barren? Was not our ancestor Abraham justified by works when he offered his son Isaac on the altar? You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was brought to completion by the works. Thus the scripture was fulfilled that says, 'Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness', and he was called the friend of God. You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith

alone. Likewise, was not Rahab the prostitute also justified by works when she welcomed the messengers and sent them out by another road? For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is also dead.

James 2: 14 – 26

Reader: Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

All: Thanks be to God.

Thought for the Day

Silence is kept for reflection.

Prayers of Intercession

Leader: In every age you have raised up holy men and women to reflect the light of Christ and to teach us the way of holiness.

We thank you for those who have been shepherds of your people:

give a pastoral heart to deacons, priests and bishops, especially ... in the Anglican Church of Canada

and the needful gifts to all your people in their ministry within the life of this parish & community especially

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

Leader: We thank you for those who have been Christian rulers in the world,
and for those who carried the good news to lands where it had not been before:
give wisdom to all who have power and influence among the nations,
and establish God's sovereignty among people of every race ...
Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

Leader: We thank you for those whom you have called to live in community:
establish mutual love among those drawn into fellowship in your service,
and bless with Christ's presence all the communities to which we relate ...
Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

Leader: We thank you for those who have lived out their vocation in the care of others:
give your grace to all who care for the young and the aged,
and enfold in your love all your children ...
Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

Leader: We thank you for those who have brought wholeness through the medicine of the gospel:
give skill to all who minister healing and

reconciliation in your name,
and comfort all who cry out to you from any sort
of distress especially

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

Leader: We thank you for the noble army of martyrs
by the shedding of whose blood the Church has
been enriched:

keep under your protection those who are
persecuted for the cause of Christ,
and acknowledge, we pray,
those who have passed through death trusting
your promises

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

Leader: Hasten, Lord, the day when people will come
from east and west,
from north and south,
and sit at table in your kingdom,
and we shall see your Son in his glory.

All: Amen.

The Collect for the Day

Leader: Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son was revealed
to destroy the works of the devil
and to make us the children of God and heirs of
eternal life:

grant that we, having this hope,
may purify ourselves even as he is pure;
that when he shall appear in power and great
glory
we may be made like him in his eternal and
glorious kingdom;
where he is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Leader: Uniting our prayers with the whole company of
heaven, let us pray with confidence as our
Saviour has taught us,

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Dismissal

Leader: May Christ, who has opened the kingdom of heaven, bring us to reign with him in glory.

All: Amen.

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.